

**NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE ANNOUNCES
CENTRAL VALLEY SALMON AND STEELHEAD
RECOVERY PLANNING WORKSHOPS**

**July 20, 2006 - The Radisson Hotel
500 Leisure Lane, Sacramento, CA
Afternoon Session: 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm
Evening Session: 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm**

The National Marine Fisheries Service is conducting the first in a series of Recovery Planning Workshops on July 20, 2006 in Sacramento, California. The workshop series is designed as a round-table discussion where information exchange and dialog contributes to the development of Federal recovery plans for salmon and steelhead. An afternoon and evening session are planned to accommodate schedules (e.g., work, daycare, etc.) and provide a greater opportunity for the public to attend.

This first workshop will include a general overview of:

- The Federal recovery planning process
- Timeline for NMFS recovery plan development
- Current understanding of salmon and/or steelhead populations and habitat
- Threats identified in original listing documents

Following the overview, workshop participants will separate into smaller facilitated discussion groups to generate more in-depth dialog on threats to specific salmon and/or steelhead populations and habitat, which is information required for the draft recovery plans. This information will also be used in future workshops over the next few months to develop recovery criteria and recovery actions that reduce or eliminate these threats.

If you are unable to attend the July 20, 2006 workshop in Sacramento, additional threats-focused workshops will also be held in the Redding and Stockton areas this summer, to be announced shortly.

Workshop attendance is free, but **registration is required** due to space limitations. On-line registration is available at <http://www.abag.ca.gov/abag/salmon/recoveryworkshops/>. For those without internet access, please fill out and FAX or mail the following form to: FAX: (916) 930-3629; mailing address: NMFS, c/o Diane Windham, 650 Capitol Mall, Ste. 8-300, Sacramento, CA 95814. If you have additional questions, please contact Diane Windham at diane.windham@noaa.gov or at (916) 930-3619.

NMFS' Central Valley Salmon and Steelhead Recovery Workshop Registration

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